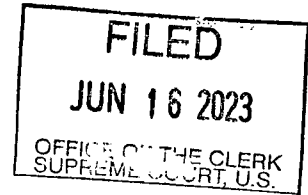


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No. 23-

ORIGINAL

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
"States" Manship v. Virginia ELECT



James "States" Manship,
Virginia Voter and Veteran — PETITIONER Pro Se, IFP
(Your Name)

VS.
Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin, &
ELECT Commissioner Susan Beals — RESPONDENT(S)

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

The petitioner asks leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Please check the appropriate boxes:

☒ Petitioner has previously been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the following court(s):

May 23, 2023 Judge David J. Novak, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond
Several other times in prior years, including in 2016 at SCOTUS 16-6663, a related Election case.

☐ Petitioner has **not** previously been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in any other court.

* ☒ Petitioner's affidavit or declaration in support of this motion is attached hereto.

☐ Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is **not** attached because the court below appointed counsel in the current proceeding, and:

☐ The appointment was made under the following provision of law: _____, or

☐ a copy of the order of appointment is appended.

* It would be easier to pay the Court Filing Fee than to dig up the info and file this sad Affidavit in Support of the Motion to Proceed IFP, but I truly do not have that money, and yes, it is "emotionally painful" to fill out this form.

This Petition for Writ of Certiorari is TOO important for America's Future Liberty of Freedom of Speech by Voting, not to TRY to file to be granted "Cert".

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Renwick Manship, Sr.".

(Signature)
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**AFFIDAVIT OR DECLARATION
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

I, James Renwick Manship, Sr., am the petitioner in the above-entitled case. In support of my motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*, I state that because of my poverty I am unable to pay the costs of this case or to give security therefor; and I believe I am entitled to redress.

1. For both you and your spouse estimate the average amount of money received from each of the following sources during the past 12 months. Adjust any amount that was received weekly, biweekly, quarterly, semiannually, or annually to show the monthly rate. Use gross amounts, that is, amounts before any deductions for taxes or otherwise.

| Income source | Average monthly amount during the past 12 months | | Amount expected next month | |
|--|---|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| | You | Spouse | You | Spouse |
| Employment | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Self-employment | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Income from real property (such as rental income) | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Interest and dividends | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Gifts | \$ <u>67*</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Alimony | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Child Support | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance) | SS \$ <u>665</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>665</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Disability (such as social security, insurance payments) | \$ <u>0**</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Unemployment payments | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Public-assistance (such as welfare) | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>0</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Other (specify): <u>SNAP</u> <u>Food Stamps</u> | \$ <u>245</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>245</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |
| Total monthly income: | \$ <u>977</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> | \$ <u>910</u> | \$ <u>n/a</u> |

* \$800 gift to pay for new radiator, related parts & fluids, and labor for 2005 Dodge van = \$67/mo.

** Until 1 July 2022, I was receiving \$1229 per month in Veteran Disability Income, but the V.A. said I was "overpaid" so cut my disability income to ZERO. "Fighting" that VA action through my local Congressman. VA did the same cut to ZERO in 2011, with same Congressman, took 25 months to get VA to admit their error and resume monthly Disability payments, and partially pay unpaid payments.

2. List your employment history for the past two years, most recent first. (Gross monthly pay is before taxes or other deductions.)

| Employer | Address | Dates of Employment | Gross monthly pay |
|----------|---------|---------------------|-------------------|
| None | n/a | n/a | \$ n/a |
| | | | \$ |
| | | | \$ |

3. List your spouse's employment history for the past two years, most recent employer first. (Gross monthly pay is before taxes or other deductions.)

| Employer | Address | Dates of Employment | Gross monthly pay |
|----------|---------|---------------------|-------------------|
| n/a | n/a | n/a | \$ n/a |
| | | | \$ |
| | | | \$ |

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ \$4 in bills, a few dollars in coins; no spouse
Below, state any money you or your spouse have in bank accounts or in any other financial institution.

| Type of account (e.g., checking or savings) | Amount you have | Amount your spouse has |
|---|--------------------|------------------------|
| Navy Federal Credit Union chkg./ sav. | \$ \$-56.49 / 0.64 | \$ n/a |
| USAA chk./ sav. | \$ \$--- / 0.29 | \$ n/a |
| Soc. Sec. Direct Express ATM | \$ \$19.43 | \$ n/a |

5. List the assets, and their values, which you own or your spouse owns. Do not list clothing and ordinary household furnishings.

| | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home | <input type="checkbox"/> Other real estate |
| Value <u>No home, paid, mortgage, or rental sleep in a free office at back of a store-front church</u> | Value <u>Was renting a home at \$700 per month in Chapala, Mexico until 10/31/2022</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #2 |
| Year, make & model <u>2005 Dodge Grand Caravan</u> | Year, make & model <u>n/a</u> |
| Value <u>\$815 (263,941 miles as of 7/14/2023)</u> | Value _____ |
| Recent \$800 gift to fix radiator almost the \$815 value of the van; replacement cost way too much. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other assets | |
| Description <u>2015 MacBook Pro</u> | |
| Value <u>\$200</u> | |

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Are paid petitions for certiorari in decline — again?

by Michael Migiel-Schwartz Jul 13, 2023

1252 in 2022, 1611 in 2021, 1829 in 2020...

Petitioner's last SCOTUS IFP was in 2016, when there were 1550 paid petitions.

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6. State every person, business, or organization owing you or your spouse money, and the amount owed.

| Person owing you or your spouse money | Amount owed to you | Amount owed to your spouse |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Dept. Veteran Affairs | \$ 14,728 | \$ n/a |
| "fighting" for VA Disability Income with help of Congressman | \$ | \$ |
| Due to VA non-responsiveness, I am also trying to get Navy to change my Honorable Discharge to Honorable Permanent Retirement MEDICAL Discharge. | \$ | \$ |

7. State the persons who rely on you or your spouse for support. For minor children, list initials instead of names (e.g. "J.S." instead of "John Smith").

| Name | Relationship | Age |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----|
| No one relies on me except for me. | | |
| | | |
| | | |

8. Estimate the average monthly expenses of you and your family. Show separately the amounts paid by your spouse. Adjust any payments that are made weekly, biweekly, quarterly, or annually to show the monthly rate.

My "plan" was to have an RV on a lot at an RV campground \$264 + \$140 = \$404 for "Housing".
Buy a storage shed for \$199/mo, instead of at the time
\$164 for a Storage Unit for personal property.

| | You | Your spouse |
|---|--|-------------|
| Rent or home-mortgage payment (include lot rented for mobile home) | 264 /mo. \$ lot for RV home, no RV yet can't afford to buy. | \$ n/a |
| Are real estate taxes included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| Is property insurance included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| Rent for Storage Unit for Books & Personal Property | \$ 207/mo. | |
| Utilities (electricity, heating fuel, can't afford elect., water, sewer, and telephone) so can not access RV lot. | \$ 140 | \$ n/a |
| Cell phone | \$ 38 | |
| Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep) | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Food SNAP (food stamps ATM) | \$ 245 | \$ n/a |
| Clothing Use old clothes, not bought new clothes in years. Friends have given gifts of new clothes and shoes. | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Laundry and dry-cleaning Use free washer and dryer at church. | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Medical and dental expenses | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| "Free" Medical as Disabled Veteran | | |
| Up to \$2000/yr, Dental with Medicare | | |
| Due to \$35 Co-Pay rarely use "extra" Medicare services | | |

How do I survive? I am blessed by the President of Virginia Christian Alliance who allows me to both work and sleep in an office in his building. My church is 3 miles away where there is a shower and laundry facilities. --->I was made a "Homeless Veteran" when my VA Disability income was cut to ZERO,. Through my Congressman, I have letters in to VA to correct this abusive error.

| | You | Your spouse |
|---|---------------------|-------------|
| Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments) 120 for 2 tanks of gasoline per month VERY frugal in driving around town. | \$ 120 for gasoline | \$ n/a |
| Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc. | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |

Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)

| | | |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|
| Homeowner's or renter's | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Life | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Health | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Motor Vehicle | \$ 18 | \$ n/a |
| Other: _____ | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |

Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)

| | | |
|------------------|------|--------|
| (specify): _____ | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
|------------------|------|--------|

Installment payments

| | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Motor Vehicle | \$ 0, paid, used | \$ n/a |
| Credit card(s) | \$ 0, no credit cards | \$ n/a |
| Department store(s) | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
| Other: _____ | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |

Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others \$ (800?) \$ n/a
Wrongly taken as "Child Support" from SS retirement. Had already paid CS. Can't afford lawyer to fight.

| | | |
|---|------|--------|
| Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement) | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
|---|------|--------|

| | | |
|------------------------|------|--------|
| Other (specify): _____ | \$ 0 | \$ n/a |
|------------------------|------|--------|

Total monthly expenses:

| | | |
|--|---------|--------|
| | \$ 1032 | \$ n/a |
|--|---------|--------|

Yes, for the past year the monthly income is less than monthly expenses since the Veterans Department wrongly cut my Disability Income to ZERO. Not asked, and not shown, are personal loans, that have ranged from \$20 to \$2000, that have "tided me over", to cover monthly expenses, and also are an additional "expense" some months when I re-pay a portion to pay down the principle loan amount. People are willing to advance me loans because I have an history of repaying loans received. In 2016 I got a loan from a personal friend to pay for an Heart Pacemaker Surgery for my 93 year old Mother, for \$7000 in Mexico rather than \$35,000 in Richmond, Virginia. Mother lived 30 months longer. I paid the loan back promptly, but then 2016, the VA had not cut me to ZERO, as VA did in 2022.

9. Do you expect any major changes to your monthly income or expenses or in your assets or liabilities during the next 12 months?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, describe on an attached sheet.

Due to non-responsiveness of the Veterans Department, or at best, years delayed responsiveness of the VA, I do not "expect" any major changes in the next 12 months, but I do PRAY for increase.

10. Have you paid – or will you be paying – an attorney any money for services in connection with this case, including the completion of this form? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, how much? _____

If yes, state the attorney's name, address, and telephone number:

I can not afford an attorney, for personal legal needs or this "professional" legal document. Due to the USDC - EDV Richmond Rule against "Ghost Writer" attorneys, I have not asked attorney friends to read and comment on my writing.

11. Have you paid—or will you be paying—anyone other than an attorney (such as a paralegal or a typist) any money for services in connection with this case, including the completion of this form?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how much? I have in past set up a PACER account, and at times had to pay charges.

If yes, state the person's name, address, and telephone number:

PACER account, San Antonio, TX

PACER Service Center (800) 676-6856

12. Provide any other information that will help explain why you cannot pay the costs of this case. I basically live and serve in God's Will in the ministry of God and Country Foundation. I give much time in service to the Country, Community, Church, and individuals. Rarely is that service compensated, for often it is for prisoners or persons financially little or no better off than am I. The VA and Navy "owe" me for my past service with service incurred injuries, yet it seems to be "a game" for VA employees to "Deny, Deny, Deny, until the Vet Dies". I can get angry and bitter, or work constructively as I am doing with this SCOTUS Petition, to help America vote fairly in our future! I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: _____ 14 July anno domini , 20 23



(Signature)

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